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SMUD's Lau named to executive post

He will oversee SMUD's "smart grid" roll out

The Sacramento Municipal Utility District's (SMUD) has named Paul Lau as assistant general manager of Customer, Distribution and Technology. In his new role, he will take over the responsibilities formerly overseen by two retiring senior executives. In his new role he will be responsible for overseeing the District's retail and technology operations including customer services, energy delivery, energy efficiency, customer renewable programs, telecommunication and enterprise business applications.

Lau will also lead SMUD's smart meter implementation, which includes the installation of more than 600,000 new meters that will eventually provide new capabilities for customers to make more informed decisions about their energy use.

"Smart meters are the key to the Sacramento's region's energy future," said John DiStasio, SMUD's general manager and chief executive officer. "Paul's leadership experience overseeing customer services as well as distribution services will be invaluable in ensuring the success of this initiative."

Lau has worked at SMUD for over 25 years in the Distribution Services and Customer Services departments. He most recently worked as deputy assistant manager of Customer, Distribution and Operations. Lau is a graduate of California State University, Sacramento and a certified professional electrical engineer in the state of California.

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